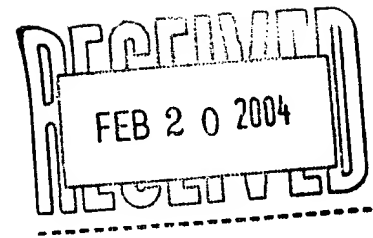**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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REMARKS

35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 2

The Examiner rejected claims 13-17 and 23-24 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 2 as being indefinite and failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicants regard as the invention. Given the cancellation of these claims without prejudice, Applicants feel that the Examiner's rejection based on § 112, ¶ 2 is moot and that the remaining claims now stand ready for allowance.

35 U.S.C. § 101

The Examiner rejected claims 13-17 under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as claiming a use without setting forth any of the associated steps. Given the cancellation of these claims without prejudice, Applicants feel that the Examiner's rejection based on § 101 is moot and that the remaining claims now stand ready for allowance.
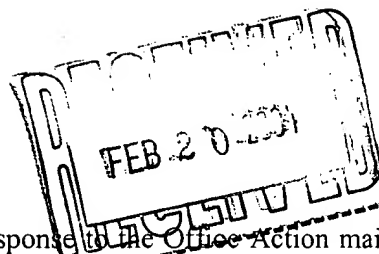
35 U.S.C. § 102

The Examiner rejected claims 13-15 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Harrison et al., United States Patent No. 5,071,891. Given the cancellation of these claims without prejudice, Applicants feel that the Examiner's rejection based on § 102(b) is moot and that the remaining claims now stand ready for allowance.

CONCLUSION

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The foregoing is submitted as a full and complete response to the Office Action mailed October 7, 2003. Remaining claims 18-22 are believed to be in condition for allowance. No additional fees are believed to be due, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees due or credit any overpayment to deposit account no. 19-5029.

If there are any issues that can be resolved by a telephone conference or an Examiner's amendment, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (404) 853-8081.

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